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Title of the Invention: MOBILE TELEPHONE TERMINAL WITH IMPROVED UTILITY		

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 RECEIVED

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the final Office action mailed January 17, 2002.

REMARKS

Claims 6-10 remain pending in this application. Further reconsideration of this application is requested.

The rejection of claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Sheerin in view of Drake (both previously of record) is respectfully traversed. The Examiner proposes to add a "time-dependence message capability" to the Sheerin answering machine, allegedly as suggested by Drake.

In particular, the Examiner alleges that Sheerin discloses routing of an incoming call based on caller ID to an individual voice box with a predetermined outgoing message, and Drake discloses generating different messages based on the time of the received call.

However, claim 6 is directed to a mobile communication terminal having a call answering message selector and caller ID storage device, wherein at least one caller ID has associated therewith different call answering messages based on the time that the incoming call signal is received. Claim 6 further requires that incoming calls for the same user of the mobile communication terminal be capable of receiving different call